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EXPANSION OF ITI AND HTL
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to expand the existing capacity of Indian Telephone Industry (ITI) and Hindustan Teleprinter Limited (HTL); and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) There are proposals to expand the existing capacity of M/s Indian Telephone Industry by the Company. There are no fresh proposals to expand the existing capacity of M/s HTL Ltd.

(b) To expand the existing capacity of Indian Telephone Industry Limited (ITI Ltd.), Company has made a provision of Rs. 325 crores towards the capital expenditure for the 9th Plan period (Rs. 125 croes for the year 2001-2002).

In the case of Hindustan Telepritner Limited (HTL Ltd.), the process of disinvestment of 74% of Government equity to a strategic partner is in an advanced stage. Therefore, there is no plan for expanding the existing capacity.